

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Abdou K. Seye
HAJIME OHNO	)	
	:	TC/Art Unit: 2194
Application No.: 10/761,291	)	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed herewith. Prior to continued examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows:

- amendments to the claims are presented in the listing starting on page 2; and
- remarks are presented starting on page 8.